Hello April...and hopefully some spring weather!

Happy April. We hope everyone is in good health and excited for the upcoming spring! Lots of wonderful information in this months network. Please be sure to mark your calendars with all the important dates and times listed below. We are excited to see everyone in the next few months. Fair is quickly approaching so make sure you are finishing all the necessary requirements. Some fun highlights this month include Ag Awareness Day, our Talent Showcase, Mini Expo, and lots of fun ways to celebrate our Centennial year of Monroe County 4-H! Wishing you all a happy spring!

Best, Claudia and Jean:)

Upcoming dates to check out:

- Beef Preview Show—April 16th
- Ag Awareness Day—April 29th
- Mini Expo—April 30th
- Spring Rabbit Show—May 7th
- Talent Showcase—May 20th
- Exploration Days—June 22nd-24th



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****NEW**** Pinterest: @monroecounty4hprogram

Office Hours Monday-Thursday 1-4PM



April 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 LAST DAY TO REGISTER IN 4-H ONLINE TO PARTICIPATE IN FAIR 2022!	2
3	4 Council 7pm @ Extension office	5 Terra Quest @ 6pm	6	7	8	9
10	11 HORSE AND PONY 7PM	12	13 7pm Sheep Workshop @ELC Dairy Board 7pm @ELC 6pm Preview Show set up	14 Fair Board @7pm	15 6pm Beef show check in	16 Beef Preview Show @ fair- grounds
17	18	19 Centennial meeting 6pm Caprine Council 7pm	and Claudia	Fair Advisory 7pm erence—Jean will out of the	22	23
24	25	26 Dog Board 6:30pm	27 Teen Ambassa- dors 7pm	28 Rabbit, Cavy, Pocket Pet Work- shop 7pm	29 Agriculture Awareness Day	30 Mini Expo 9am Check In







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Council 7pm	Terra Quest 6pm	Broiler Work- shop 7pm	Pre Fair Meeting 6pm	Spring Rabbit Show set up 6pm	Spring Rabbit Show
8	9 Horse and Pony 7pm	10	11	12 Fair Board 7pm	13	14 Sheep and Swine tagging 8am-11am
15	16	17 Caprine Council 7pm	18 Swine Work- shop 7pm	19	20	21
22	23 SAA 7pm Dog Agility Prac- tice 6pm	24	25 Teen Ambassa- dors 7pm	26	27	28 CSI Meeting @ leaders home 1pm
29	Memorial Day	31				

Important Upcoming **Dates and Information!**

JLA DATES:

Sheep and Swine Tagging: May 14th @ 8AM-11AM Anderson Show Arena



- Sheep Workshop: April 13th @ 7pm Extension Office
- Beef Preview Show: April 16th Anderson Show Arena
- Swine Workshop: May 18th @ 7pm Extension Office

SAA DATES:

- Rabbit, Cavy, and Pocket Pet Workshop: April 28th @ 7pm in Extension Office
- Broiler Workshop: May 4th @ 7pm in Extension Office
- Spring Rabbit Show: May 7th in the Educational Building on the Fairgrounds
- Spring show set up: May 6th @ 6pm
- Cat Show: July 17th @ Price of Peace Church 1pm

DOG DATES: (at Fairgrounds)

- Fun Matches: June 12th and July 16th
- Agility Practices: May 23rd @ 6pm and June 27th (mandatory meeting) @6pm

ALL SPECIES:

June 7th @ 6pm FITTING AND SHOWING CLINIC











YQCA Reminder

April 1st-June 1st please complete your YQCA training online. Keep your completion number handy as you will need it to register your animal projects for fair.

Certificate can be submitted through the google form below or you may bring a printed copy to the Extension Office.

LINK: YQCA google submission form

County Scholarships are still available!



Attention high school seniors or students enrolled in post high school education!

County Scholarships are officially open. Applications are due by April 15th, 2022. Interviews will take place at the Extension Office on April 25th, 2022. You will only have to interview once regardless of how many scholarships you apply for. Time slots for Interviews are first come first serve.

Follow this link to view the available scholarships: 2022 Monroe County 4-H Scholarships

Good luck to everyone! You make Scholarships

Monroe Court & C **Monroe County 4-H Proud!**



Broilers and Ducks:

ORDER NOW!

Pricing and Dates

Broilers: \$2.00 each

Order by May 4th



Pick up: June 16th 2-3pm @ Ida Co-op

Reminder: All Broilers and Ducks MUST be purchased through

the Small Animal Association.

Ducks: \$3.50 each

Needed to be Ordered by April 1st

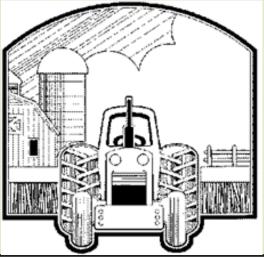
Pick up: May 5th 2-3pm @ Ida Co-op

To order or for more information, please contact Barbara Siebarth: 419-350-9482

OR

Susan Arting: 734-649-4117.

aka: Ag Day Friday, April 29th



After a two year break, we are thrilled to be planning this year's event! Do you have expertise in a specific area of science or agriculture to share with Monroe County 1st—4th graders? We'd love for you to join us! Let us know by registering here

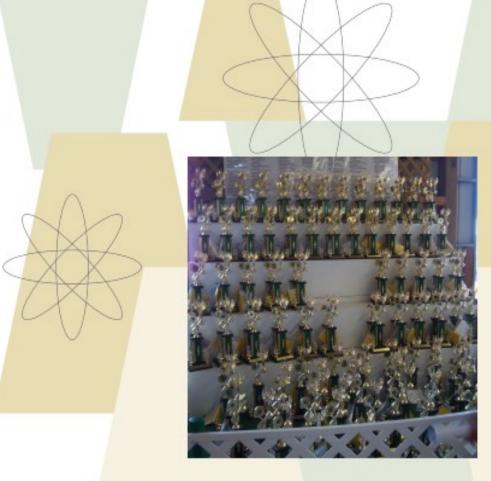
2022 Agricultural Awareness Presenter (google.com)

or giving the office a call at 734-240-3188.

Please complete the survey by **April 15**th.

Your prompt response will allow us the opportunity to provide the teachers with information ahead of time including what learning stations will be available on the day of the event. The time commitment would be from about 8am till 1:30pm. A light breakfast and lunch will be served for our volunteers.

We sincerely appreciate the donation of your time and expertise to bring back Ag Day stronger than ever!



4-H Fair Trophy Sponsorships

Please remember to send in your trophy sponsorships by MAY 5th

If you would like to change your sponsorship or add anew one, please contact General Awards Superintendent, Debbie Kraftchick at Debbra.kraftchick@utoledo.edu or leave a

message for Jean Genaw at 734,240,37188

Re: Small Animal Association Master Stockman Funding

The Small Animal Master Stockman Contest is looking for some help from our clubs this year to continue with this program. The contest was designed to encourage members to learn more about their small animal project by participating in several divisions. The most exciting part of the program is members are awarded with a monetary gift in each small animal category. This program operates on about \$550 per year. This year I'm asking all of our clubs if they could donate a small amount to help out the Master Stockman Contest. Any amount will help! Thank you in advance!

I would also like to send out an invitation to attend one of your club meetings to explain/encourage your members to participate in the Master Stockman Contest this year at the fair. If you're at all interested in the program, please feel free to contact me.

Thank You,
Julie Linn
Superintendent of Small Animal Master Stockman
(734) 735-6809
jjlinn96@gmail.com

Any donations may be sent to: Small Animal Association/ Master Stockman c/o Julie Linn 2247 Corkins Road Carleton, MI 48117 Support our Master Stockman Program!

Your donations are what make this program possible!





GARAGE SALE THANK YOU!



A BIG thanks to everyone who helped with the spring garage sale on MAR 26th. Special thanks to Fair Manager, Darryl Diamond for finding us some space in the Expo Center and to our faithful Garage Sale Coordinators, Linda Krug and Sherri Iacoangeli.

Handing the money to Darryl (I to R) Darryl, Sherri, Linda, Lilly Anderson & Roni Worden. Photo taken by Debbie Kraftchick

\$726 was raised for our Fair Ribbon Fund!



2022 Monroe County 4-H - CRAPTING EXPO's

Clover BudExpo - AGES 5 - 7 Mini Expo - AGES 8 - 14 Teen Expo - AGES 15-19

SATURDAY - APRIL 30, 2022

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church – Lewis Ave – Ida, MI Cost \$5 for Clover Buds and \$10 for 4-H Members Check in starts at 9:00 of all ages

Deadline to sign up is April 25th

For Questions please call the extension office at 734-240-3188

Or email Jean Genaw genawiea@msu.edu

Member's Name:	4-H Age:
Allergies or special needs:	
Exploring Expo: all 3 projects + snack Mini Expo: choose 3 projects: (\$1) Teen Expo: choose 1 project: (\$1)	<u> </u>
4-H Club:	
Parent(s) Name:	Cell Phone #:
Parent(s) Name:	Cell Phone #:
Emergency Contact:	

Advanced payment can be placed at the 4-H Office or cash/checks accepted at the door.

Please make checks payable to Monroe County 4-H Council.

Exploring Expo - AGES 5 - 7 9am - 12:30pm - lunch from 12:30 - 1:00 - pick up at 1:00 PM

Clover Buds will make all three projects

Mr. Potato Head - Lynette Hackett

Puzzles - Lauren Gibson

Terra Cotta Flower Pot Mushrooms - Jean Gibson

Cat Care and Showmanship - Lomas Family

Mini Expo - AGES 8 - 14 9am - 2:30pm - lunch from 12:30 to 1:00 pm

CHOOSE ONE FROM EACH SESSION - 3 total (note a few projects require multiple sessions)

SESSION 1 - 9:30 - 10:55 AM

- A. Artistic Seed Art Susan Arting
- B. Corn Starch Jewelry Mary Wickenheiser new category at Fair this year!
- C. Covered composition books Patti Donnelly
- D. Healthy Foods/Snacks Kerrie Kraftchick
- E. Mosaics Part 1 Jan Maciejewski also sign up for Part 2 in session 3
- F. Red, White & Blue Brittany Gibson new category at Fair this year!
- G. Rockets Chris Manwell
- H. Stenciling Jessica Dehner
- I. Themed Centerpiece Amy Harbaugh

SESSION 2 - 11:00 AM - 12:25 PM

- A. Artificial Flower Arrangements Lynette Winter
- B. Decorative Painting Kerrie Kraftchick
- C. Fabric Christmas Ornament Jenn Reeves
- D. Glass Etching Sue Andrews
- E. Greeting Cards Debbie Kraftchick
- F. Pull Apart Cakes Kayla Kraftchick
- G. Rabbit/Pocket Pet Showmanship Fisher Family
- H. Scrapbooking -Brenda Chandonette
- Yard Art Mike Gibson

LUNCH - 12:30 - 12:55 PM - hot dog, chips, cookie, drink

SESSION 3 - 12:30 - 3:00 PM

- J. Artificial Flower Arrangements Lynette Winter repeat of session 2
- K. Candy Bouquets Connie Ammerman
- L. Decorated cupcakes Kayla Kraftchick
- M. Design Your Own Earrings Joyce Lewis
- N. Glass Etching Sue Andrews repeat of session 2
- O. Metal Punch Lomas Family
- P. Mini Christmas Ornaments Karen & Emma Laitur
- Q. Mosaics Part 2 Jan Maciejewski also sign up for Part 1 in session 1
- R. Plastic Table Covering Wreaths Cooley Family

Teen Expo - AGES 15-19 9am - 12:30pm - lunch from 12:30 - 2:00 - CHOOSE ONE

- A. Decorative Painting Rachel Adkins
- B. Misc Sewing/quilted table topper SBW Sewing Club

We will also be making greeting cards for our Veterans and making fleece tie blankets as our Community Service project!



Formerly 4-H Share the Fun

May 20th, 2022

Dundee High School

Show starts at 7:00pm

Join us for a night of club acts, talent showcase, youth MCs, modeling and a whole lot of fun!

All registrations due May 6th

Registration links

Talent Show Registration:

https://form.jotform.com/220794044585057

MC Registration:

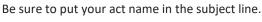
https://forms.gle/2HxfBfvDJ6K7cENUA

Modeling Registration:

https://forms.gle/GFHNtj2He6B2GGxY8

ALL MUSIC TO BE PLAYED MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR REGISTRATION.

Please submit all music in Mp3 format to: mw8200@gmail.com





- · Individual Acts, Modeling & MC will be judged as usual
- Leaders & 4-H Volunteers are highly encouraged to be a part of the club acts & sign up for their own individual act (these will be utilized as time allows)
- · Please refer to the Fair premium catalog for rules and regulations

For more information please contact

Claudia Paddy

paddycla@msu.edu





Deadline coming soon!

Be sure to submit your recipes!

MONROE COUNTY 4-H 100 YEAR COOKBOOK

Ingredients:

- 1. 4-H members, alumni and clubs
- 2. Your favorite recipes
- 3. Stories about your recipe
- 4. Pictures









Directions:

- A. Write out recipe
- B. Attach any pictures or stories about the the recipe or experience showing it at fair.
- C. Submit recipes and information by

April 25th, 2022 to:

Monroe100year4H@yahoo.com

Questions:

Contact Debbie Kraftchick 419-340-7787 or Roni Worden 419-779-3499

Disclaimer: Due to space, some stories/pictures may be edited.



4-H CENTENNIAL QUILT

WHO: ALL 4-H CLUBS

WHAT: NEW 4-H QUILT FOR DISPLAY

WHEN: DEADLINE IS JUN 1ST

WHERE: GET YOUR BLOCK/MATERIAL SQUARE

FROM THE 4H OFFICE

HOW: LEAVE 1' BORDER ON ALL SIDES OF BLOCK,
DECORATE WITH TULIP PAINT PENS, EMBROIDERY
OR OTHREFABRIC SAFE MATERIALS
NO Sharpie Markers

CONTACT JEAN GENAW AT 734.240.3188

Be part of the NEW 4-H QUILT to celebrate the 100 years of 4-H in Monroe County - 1922-2022

CENTENNIAL MEMORABILLIA ORDER FORM

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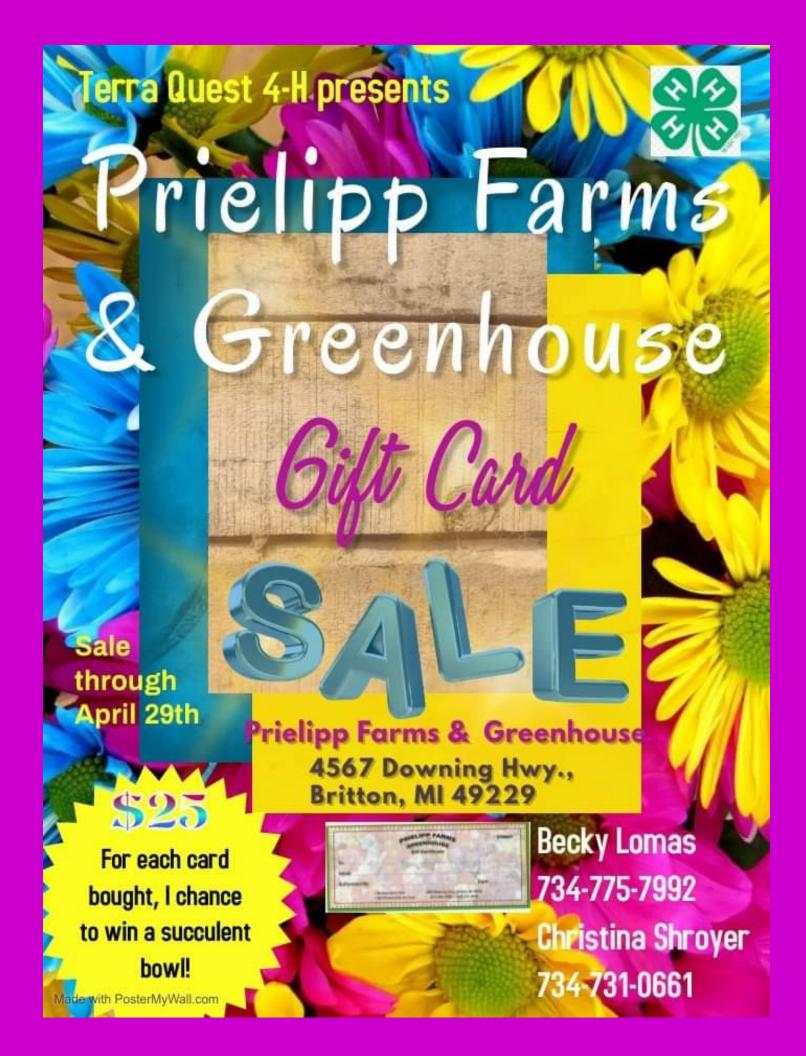




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Exploration Days 2022

Registration opens <u>Thursday, April 14 at 7pm EST.</u> Participants will be registering themselves this year.

More information can also be found on the Exploration Days website:

https://www.canr.msu.edu/4 h exploration days/index



REGISTRATION OPENING

APRIL 14

at 7 p.m. EST

MSU Masking Guidelines Lifted



In early March, Michigan State University (MSU) updated their COVID-19 mask guidance. These changes impact attendees of MSU Extension and Michigan 4-H programs occurring on and off MSU property.

As of March 8, masks are no longer required at MSU Extension or Michigan 4-H programs, events, offices or meeting rooms.

While not a requirement,
Michigan 4-H in-person
events are still encouraged to
follow best practices that
include meeting outside when
possible, keeping participant
numbers below maximum
capacity to allow for social
distancing, offering hand
sanitizer and respecting the
continued use of masks by
those who choose to wear
them.

As always, the most up-todate guidelines for Michigan 4-H can be found at extension.msu.edu/ approvedactivities.

4-H Events and Workshops

April 2: Reality Fair

Heilmann Recreation Center, Detroit

Gain experience making real-life financial decisions in this money management simulation. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/realityfair

April 4: Michigan 4-H Month of the Military Child Goosechase

Online

Join Michigan 4-H to celebrate military families and children during the Month of the Military Child! New missions will be released every week through May 4.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-month-of-the-military-child-goosechase

April 7: Adulting 101—Paying for Post-Secondary Education Online

This series helps youth and young adults prepare for life on their own. Different topics will be offered each Thursday in April. The first session will explore different ways to help pay for the cost of college, trade school, and other post high school educational opportunities. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting-101-spring-paying

April 9 or 10: 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop

Ralph MacMullan Conference Center, Roscommon

Interested in leading shooting sports with a 4-H club? Become a certified instructor at this one-day workshop! Each day offers an independent workshop leading to its own certification.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/ss instructor certification spring22

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-shooting-sports-instructor-certification-workshop-2

April 12: Wild Spartans—Great Lakes Fish Investigations

Online

Head out onto the Great Lakes to learn about fish of all sizes - from tiny venomous catfish to massive lake sturgeon. Meet Michigan DNR Fisheries Technician Brad Utrup and learn about his field work, and the education and career path he followed to get there.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-april-2022

April 16: Montcalm County 4-H Goat Show

Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Greenville

Do you have a goat who you think is the GOAT (Greatest of All Time)? Bring them to the Montcalm County Fairgrounds for the 4-H Goat Educational and Fun Show. Open to all. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/montcalm-county-4-h-goat-show

April 23: Mock Interview Day

MSU Tollgate Farm and Education Center, Novi

Gain confidence, communication and career readiness skills as you also gain tips on networking and interviewing. Includes opportunities to practice and receive feedback. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/mock22

April 28: Line Dancing Lessons with Lia

Montcalm County Fairgrounds Ash Building, Greenville

Join an evening of fun on your feet! Lia of Lia's Line Dance will teach you the basic steps of line dancing. This event is free and open to all.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/line-dance-lessons-with-lia2

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events.



Michigan 4-H Presents April Money Management Contests!

Join Michigan 4-H for a series of fun contests and workshops leading up to National Financial Literacy Month in April. Expand your knowledge and compete with other youth across Michigan to earn prizes in money management challenges. For more details visit www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts.

Cash Composition Contest (9-12 years old)

Youth residing in Michigan, <u>age 9-12</u> have a chance to win \$100 by writing a 300 word (or less) essay on "paying yourself first." Contest registration and essay submission must be complete by April 11. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts/money-smart-kids-contest.

Show Your Money Smarts Contest (13-19 years old)

Michigan youth <u>age 13-19</u> will compete in an online quiz challenge taking place the entire month of April for a chance to win \$100. High scoring youth will be entered into the drawing for four \$100 prizes. Contest registration must be complete by April 28. Learn more at <u>www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts/show-your-money-smarts-contest</u>.

Youth who want to prepare for the contests may take part in a webinar on April 13 at 4:30 p.m. (www.canr.msu.edu/events/youth-money-4-13) or a self-guided learning experience (www.canr.msu.edu/courses/grow-your-money).

4-H Exploration Days registration coming in April!

4-H Exploration Days is Michigan 4-H's largest pre-college program and could be the highlight of your summer—maybe even change your life! This exciting event is open to any Michigan youth age 12 –19 as of Jan. 1.



4-H Exploration Days is designed to help youth build the skills they need to successfully transition to college and to life as an adult. Michigan 4-H youth who participate have the opportunity to stay in MSU campus residence halls while attending classroom and field trip sessions throughout their stay.

With more than 100 session choices held on and off campus, there are topics for everyone including animal science, business and entrepreneurship, international language and culture, performing and visual arts, and science, engineering, and technology. As youth gain important life skills like decision making, problem solving and communication, they'll also have plenty of time for fun with free time activities such as skating, bowling, basketball and a dance.

Registration for 4-H Exploration Days will open in mid-April. The cost for the 2022 event is \$220. Check with your local 4-H program coordinator for additional information regarding county sign-ups and scholarships or visit www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-exploration-days for more details.

Michigan 4-H
Alumni and
Supporters
Walking
Challenge



Starting May 1, MSU Extension will host a 4-H Alumni & Supporters Walking Challenge, where participants will track their miles walked and compete for a top spot in the contest! Each week, top contestants will win an alumni swag prize and the county who logs the most miles throughout the whole challenge will earn a \$100 cash prize for their county 4-H program! Random weekly winners will also be chosen amongst registered participants who have actively engaged in the contest during the previous week.

Learn more and register at www.canr.msu.edu/ events/michigan-4-h-alumni-and-supporters-walking-challenge.